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Responsive to the Official Action dated August 20, 2001, please reconsider the application in view of the following amendments and remarks:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 1.

Please replace claims 2-13 with the following amended claims:

- 2. (Twice Amended) A method for screening individuals for 1 participation in clinical drug trials, the method comprising the steps of: 2
- - collecting a sample from an individual, a)
- screening the sample for a genetic basis of Gilbert's b)
- 5 Syndrome, and